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SUBJECT: KOREAN ISSUE AT NON-ALIGNED FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE

REF: BELGRADE 4883

1. UN DIVISION DIRECTOR CHANG TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER JULY 6 THAT ROKG REMAINS HOPEFUL OF INCREASING NUMBER OF RESERVATIONS ON KOREAN QUESTION AT BELGRADE CONFERENCE. HE SAID ROK IS CONTACTING ABOUT 40 PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES, THROUGH REGULAR DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS, AND THREE SPECIAL MISSIONS. TWO, PREVIOUSLY REPORTED, LED BY FORMER VICE FONMIN YUN AND FORMER VICE MINISTER OF CULTURE AND INFORMATION KIM, HAVE COMPLETED THEIR WORK. A THIRD, LED BY FORMER AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO SANG MUN, IS NOW IN WEST AFRICA. CHANG SAID THEY HAVE RECEIVED ENCOURAGING WORD FROM KENYA, CAMEROONS, DJIBOUTI, AND UPPER VOLTA, AMONG OTHERS. FURTHER REPRESENTATIONS ARE TO BE CONDUCTED BY THEIR AMBASSADOR IN SUDAN DURING MEETING OF OAU. WHILE CHANG WILL REMAIN SKEPTICAL UNTIL THE MEETING IS OVER, AND WILL NOT EXAMINE TOO CLOSELY THE WORDING OF RESERVATIONS EXPRESSED, HE HOPES FOR AT LEAST 30.

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2. REGARDING REPRESENTATION AT BELGRADE, CHANG SAID THEY HAVE RECEIVED NO WORD ON REPORTED SRI LANKAN APPROACH TO YUGOSLAVS, AND DO NOT REALLY EXPECT ANY. HOWEVER, TWO ROK REPORTERS AT UN, KIM TAE UNG OF HANKUK ILBO AND HAN CHANG SOP OF HAPTONG NEWS AGENCY, HAVE APPLIED FOR YUGOSLAV VISAS IN NEW YORK IN HOPES OF BEING ABLE TO COVER THE CONFERENCE.

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